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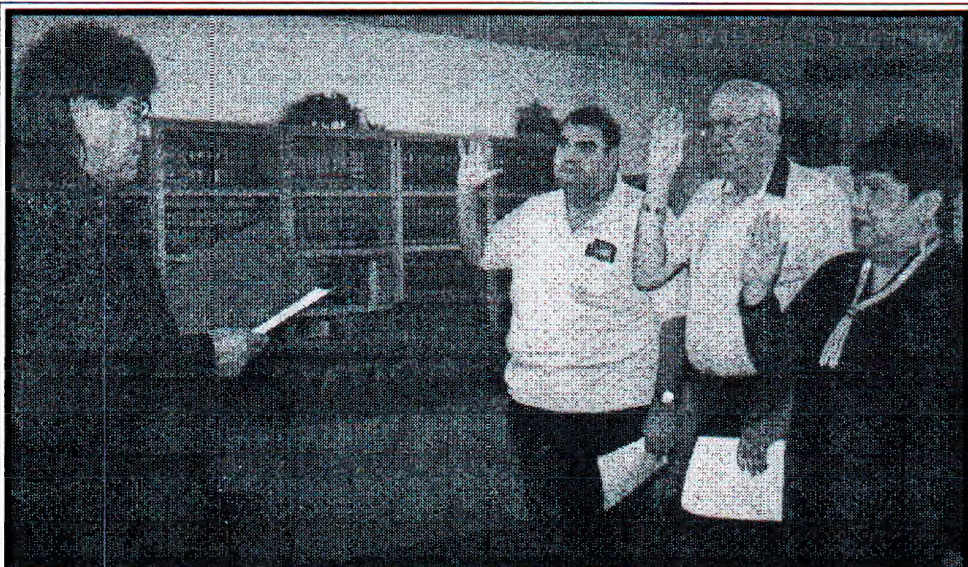
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It's Almost Election Time!

Members of the 2000 Citizen Potawatomi Nation Election Commission were recently sworn in and began the process of conducting the tribe's annual election, set for June 24, 2000. Above, Judge Phil Lujan swears in Gary Bourbonnais, who will serve as chairman this year; Don Yott, marshal; and Esther Lowden, secretary. Below, Vice Chairman Linda Capps swears in Harold Trousdale, assistant secretary; and David Bourbonnais, vice chairman. Filing for tribal offices, including Business Committeeman #1, will be March 27, 28 and 29, and absentee ballot deadline will be June 5. More information on the election will be in next month's HowNiKan.



FireLake Discount Foods to feature environment-friendly cooling system

By MICHAEL DODSON

Once it is open, the Citizen Potawatomi Nation's FireLake Discount Foods will likely become a frequent stop for executives of other supermarkets. A major reason will be the 2-Cool refrigeration/freezer system that will be installed by Martin Systems Corp. and Hill Phoenix.

"Basically, this system features chilled water (in the food display cases) instead of refrigerant," said Terry Williams of Martin Systems. Pumps, instead of fluid pressure, are used to move the refrigerant, water with some additives, through the cases.

Martin described two ways that refrigerating with chilled water is better than using a refrigerant, such as Freon. "A refrigerant carries oil," he explained. "Oil is not an FDA approved product. There is always the potential to have refrigerant or oil in (food) products. With 2-Cool that is not an issue."

The fluid-refrigerant system also alleviates worries about cooling system leaks. It exerts 30 to 90 pounds per square inch (psi) of pressure on the cooling system pipes. A conventional refrigeration system generates about 250 psi.

"The potential for a leak is considerably less in the chilled water system," Martin said. "And, if there is a leak, the substance that escapes does not endanger (food) product integrity."

The chilled water system avoids the potential dangers to the environment that exist with conventional cooling systems. The refrigerants used in those systems are believed to deplete the atmosphere's ozone layer and contribute to what scientists refer to as the TEWE - Total Environmental Warming Effect.

2-Cool Systems developers have discovered a benefit they did not expect as it was being designed. "Product integrity is as much as 20% better," Williams said. "Food remains fresher. You're not de-hu-



midifying products. You're not drying out your weighted items."

Stores using the 2-Cool system are realizing one to three additional shelf-life days for refrigerated products. "That is a tremendous advantage to not only the consumer but the supermarket, as well," according to Williams. "This is one to three days of shelf-life for both the supermarket and the consumer; ultimately, everybody wins."

The consumer buys, according to Martin, "a better, safer product that has experienced a much more consistent temperature. The retailer gets a few more days to sell the product" while it is fresh and safe.

The 2-Cool system itself has a longer useful life than a conventional refrigeration system - an average of 25 years compared to eight to 15 years for a conventional system.

"We are not dealing with anywhere near the amount of pressure that a conventional system is subjected to," Williams explained. "We're using stainless steel and copper in our heat exchangers, and they don't wear out, rot, have the problems that conventional systems experience."

Martin told the *HowNiKan* that, although this technology is not new, it is not

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Linda Sue Abney

Linda Sue Abney, Shawnee, Oklahoma, died Monday, January 3, 2000 in an Oklahoma City hospital. She was 46.

Mrs. Abney was born August 2, 1953, in Shawnee, the daughter of William Bernard Delonais Jr. and Anna (Gaul) Delonais. She was a 1971 graduate of Tecumseh High School. She married John Abney on September 20, 1971, in Shawnee. Mrs. Abney worked for Wal-Mart for approximately 20 years, and was a member of Temple Baptist Church. She was a lifelong Shawnee resident.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William Jr. and Anna Delonais; and a brother, Robbie Delonais. Survivors include her husband, John Abney, of the home; two sons and a daughter-in-law, Johnny Jr. and Danielle Abney, Shawnee; Jeremy Abney, Shawnee; four sisters and three brothers-in-law, Rita and Robert Collins, Thekla "Becky" and Jeff Morris, Alita Keener, Tina and Tim Seawright, all of Shawnee; two grandsons, Devin and Drew Abney, Shawnee; and several aunts and uncles; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Memorials may be made to the Baylor Institute of Transplantation Services, Baylor University Medical Center, 3500 Gaston Ave., Dallas, TX 75246. Services were held at 10 a.m. Thursday, January 6, 2000, at Resthaven Funeral Home, with the Rev. Mike Craig officiating. Burial was at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Nathan Francis LeClair

Nathan Francis LeClaire, age 76, of Oklahoma City, passed away January 11, 2000.

Nathan was born November 5, 1923 to Sarah and Daniel LeClaire in Konawa, Oklahoma. He was raised in Bartlesville, Oklahoma where he graduated high school and then worked as a photographer at Grag Studio. He attended college in Durant, OK. Nathan served as a Staff Sergeant for the U.S. Army during W.W. II in Japan and the Philippines from 1943 until 1946. In 1956, he moved to Oklahoma City and worked as a building engineer until 1994 for Liberty Properties Limited, Global Life, and Trammel Crow. Nathan was a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation of Oklahoma and was also a member of Bodine Baptist Church of Oklahoma City.

He was preceded in death by his parents, 1 brother, 2 sisters, 1 son, and 2 grandchildren. Nathan is survived by his loving wife Norma J. Combs LeClaire of 56 years; sons Curtis and wife Patricia LeClaire of Moore, O., and Aaron and wife Sharon LeClaire of Oklahoma City; daughters Judy LeClaire of Oklahoma City, and Nona and husband Steve Newman of Moore, OK; brother Anthony T. LeClaire of Fountain Valley, CA; niece Sarah (Sally) and husband Reid Pepper of Bartlesville, OK; 10 grandchildren, and 15 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 1:00 p.m. Friday, January 14, 2000 at the Baggerley-South Funeral Home Chapel with interment following at Sunnyslane Cemetery.

Aaron Holloway

Aaron Holloway of Shawnee died December 27, 1999, in a local nursing home. He was 72.

He was born January 17, 1927, in Wanette, Oklahoma to Henry and Fay Holloway and attended school at Wanette. He was raised in Wanette and had lived in Shawnee since 1952. He worked for C and H Wholesale, the City of Shawnee, and the Citizen Potawatomi Nation. He was also a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation. Holloway was a member of the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict.

Preceding him in death were two brothers and one sister. Surviving are a sister, Berniece Bodine of Oklahoma City; a sister and brother-in-law, Gail and Galvin Larman of Shawnee; a sister-in-law, Daisy Holloway of Smithon, Ill.; several nieces and nephews. Services were held at 2 p.m. on Monday, January 3, 2000 at Roesch-Walker Funeral Chapel. Burial followed at Wanette Cemetery under the direction of Roesch-Walker Funeral Chapel.

WELCOME, NEW CITIZEN POTAWATOMI NATION ENROLLEES!

The following Tribal Members were enrolled under previous guidelines:

Sale, Jr. Thomas Fredrick
Mason, Richard Gary
McKinney, Tia Falan
Bruno, M.C.
Webb, Billy
Thomas, Cheri Arledge
Barnes, Lisa Lynn
McClure, Randy Perry
Shirey, Darral Meade
Shirey, Michael Eugene
Cook, Ethel Ann
Fitzgerald, Jerry Louis
Olson, Kimberly Ann
Standage, Lolita Lenore
MacMillen, Susan Elizabeth

The following Tribal Members were under descendency guidelines:

Boileau, Charlyne Montra
Bowling, Douglas Craig
Boileau, Gabrielle Marie
Locke, Erin Elizabeth
Boggs, Joshua Quinten
Smith, Hannah Sky
Loudermilk, Sydney Elizabeth
French, Austin Ray
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Savory, Taton Dakota
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Grider, James Plas
Grider, Candace Renee
Miller, John Perry
Smith, Timothy Eugene
Smith, Nicholas John
Smith, Trenton Adam
Smith, Nathan Daniel
Ramos, Corbin James
McCorkle, Bailee Renee
Melot, Joseph Randyll
Moss, Rhonda Denise
Goodin, Margaret Lujulia
Henry, Damon Lee
Smith, Kaitlyn Diane
Whitener, Joshua William
Whitener, Amanda Marie
Matter, Dylan James
Hodge, Scout Capri
Olson, Zachery Peter
Campbell, Jr. Robert Lee
Campbell, Rally Lynn
Campbell, Rocky Lane
Shields, Sayre Jade
Tescier, Megan
Lutke, Nathan Axl
Northcross, Tiffany Lynn
Rush, Zachariah Richard Lloyd
Lehman, Jamie Denise
Koerner, Jazmine Louise
Koerner, Justin Kenneth
Kirby, April Nanette
Miclea, Brandon Matthew
Lockstone, Audrey Brooke
Lockstone, Adam Chase
Wood, Daniel DeWayne
Wood, Dawndra Darlene
Wood, Talina Kay
Wood, Kalancey Cordelia
Terry, Bradan Cole
Terry, Cheyenne Marie
Savory, Ryan Lee
Cornejo, Robert Bruce
Gulihur, Ryan Joseph
Gulihur, Zachary Christian
Burlison, Sheridan Nicole

Sowersby, Donald Eugene
Martin, Lindsey Elizabeth
Melot, John Paul
Rhodes, Jessica Anne
Cook, John David
Pasion, Adam Matthew
Pasion, Brandon Michael
Pasion, Kathryn Elizabeth
Pasion, Andrew Vincent
Melott, Brandon Allen
Wells, Lauren Rebecca
Longo, Kyle Frederick
Kelley, Dallas Trent
Glenn, Christina Dawn
Lyon, Trevor Steven
Lyon, Braydanne Noelle
McGuire, Destinee Montana
Burns, Jesse Jon
Mesa, Danielle Marie
Olson, Elizabeth Rose
Olson, Abigail Christine
Dietrich, David Charles
Lukaesko, Carson Edward
Fitzgerald, Cheryl Jane
Slomp, Rebekah Kathleen
Winter, Brittni Mari
Waterman, Corena Jean
Cryer, Brianna Leigh
Gray, Rachel Michelle
Lorson, Gabriella Dawn
Rothstein, Mark Phillips
Rothstein, Winston Ryan
Tatum, Lindsey Anne
Kelly, Cameron Ray
Boggs, Brittney Ann
Boggs, Kaitlyn Nicole
Potts, Dallas Jewett
Potts, Dakota Lee
Mathes, Jr. Chad James
Kietzman, Alexander Thomas
DeChellis, Annemarie Lane
Buchanan, Max Paul
Moutaw, Jacob Joe
Gradle, Mason Keone
Mize, Cameron Thomas
Peterson, Jr. James Edward
Rogers, Breanna JoEllen
Smith, Jessica Sue
Thompson, Dominick Blake
Smith, Brennan George
Uhles, Richard Otis
Uhles, Robert Rayneal
Wooten, Jerry Lynn Thomas
Mitchell, Tiffany Suzanne
Mitchell, Stephanie Marie
Jahn, Noah
Jahn, Joshua
Jahn, Kioko
Robinson, Joshua Steven
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Adamietz, Steven Francis
Adamietz II, John Joseph Cyril
Adamietz, Andrew Michael
Thompson, Stephanie Dawn
Thompson, Jennifer Nicole
Digesare, Elizabeth Mary
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Staller, Jasmine Marie
MacMillen, Kaya Sean
MacMillen, Tashi Rinchen
MacMillen, Shiloh Eli
Miller, April Don
Dunaway, Angela Deanne
Dunaway, Joseph Aaron
Dunaway, Genevieve Michele
Dunaway, John Philip
Hacker, Adrianna Renae Byler
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Walking on

David Earl Petifer

David Earl Petifer passed away December 10, 1999 in Auburn, California, at the age of 49. Born November 16, 1950, he was a life-long resident of Placer County. David graduated from Placer High in 1968 and worked as a woodcutter for many years. He enjoyed the outdoors and spending time with his friends.

Preceded in death by his father and daughter, Delbert and Crystal Petifer, he is survived by his mother, Mae Petifer; brother and sister-in-law, Paul and Jill Petifer; nephew, Ryan and niece Kallie. In keeping with David's wishes, no services were held. Donations in his memory may be made to the Foresthill Safety Club, in care of Lassila Funeral Chapel-551 Grass Valley Hwy, Auburn, CA 95603.

Sadie E. Smith

Tecumseh, OK resident Sadie E. Smith died Wednesday, January 12, 2000 in Oklahoma City. She was 87.

Mrs. Smith was born on March 19, 1912, in Shawnee, to Webster and Lilly (Condry) Whitehead. She attended Shawnee schools. She married Perry A. Smith on October 31, 1933, in Shawnee. Mrs. Smith spent the majority of her married life in Oklahoma City, and moved to Tecumseh in 1976. She worked as a nurse's aid at several Oklahoma City hospitals before retiring in 1976. She was a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation and attended the Shawnee Seventh Day Adventist Church.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Perry Smith; a son, Donnie Smith; her parents, Webster and Lilly Whitehead; four brothers, and two sisters. Survivors include her daughter and son-in-law, Patsy and Edd Brownfield, Lefors, Texas; two sons and a daughter-in-law, Ronnie D. and Barbara Smith, Apison, Tenn.; Lynn Smith, Oklahoma City; a sister, Stella Holt, Rim Rock, Arizona; eight grandchildren, Rhonda Klein, Karen Keith, Roger Smith, Randy Smith, Karen Smith, David Smith, Amy Hocker and Jennifer McMains; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 15, 2000, at Cooper Funeral Chapel in Tecumseh, with Pastor Jerry States of the Shawnee Seventh Day Adventist Church officiating. Burial was at Tecumseh Cemetery.

William Joseph (Joe) Nugent

William Joseph (Joe) Nugent (82) passed away January 1, 2000 in Long Beach, California.

He was a resident of Lakewood, California since buying his house in 1950. Joe was born on a farm near Dover, Kansas on December 5, 1917. He joined the Navy and retired after 20

years as a Chief Petty Officer. He then worked as Head Steam Engineer for Los Angeles County at Los Amigos Hospital located in Downey, California on the swing shift for 13 years before retiring to spend time bowling, fishing and gardening. He broke his right ankle mid-December and was in the hospital and rehab where he contracted a virus. He was a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation, also a lifetime member of Lakewood Post of V.F.W. His grandmother was Julie Navarre Burns. His mother was Mamie Burns Nugent.

Joe is survived by four sisters; Bernice Clark, Mary Graf, Catherine Clark, Celine Ricks. One sister, Loretta Salzer preceded him and his son, William James Nugent in death also. His two daughters survive, Maureen Johnson and Lorraine Coursien, 3 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren. A graveside service was held January 6, 2000 at All Souls Cemetery, Long Beach, California attended by family.

Elvina Mae (Bostic) Heavener

Elvina Heavener, 84, Mangum, Oklahoma, died Thursday, November 11, 1999. Services were held on Saturday, November 13, 1999 at Epworth Methodist Church in Mangum.

Elvina was born on November 12, 1914 in Ralston, Oklahoma to George and Grace (Moody) Bostic. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Wade, and her twin sister Elmina Fae.

Mrs. Heavener was a homemaker. Her sweetest memories were of family gatherings, with big meals to cook and lots of fun and laughter.

Surviving her are three children, one brother, three sisters, six grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

Following is a tribute from Mrs. Heavener's neighbor Mildred Gable...

A Tribute

Mrs. Elvina Heavener was the kind of person any neighborhood would have enjoyed having. The smile on her face and a sparkle in her eyes helped to make her an elegant lady.

It was not difficult to have a conversation with her; in fact, she made the other person feel at ease. PRECIOUS is a good word for her, as she fit that description.

In the Book of Proverbs, a verse reads - "Her price is far above rubies." That can be said of her.

How true it is for our neighbor, who lived among us exercising always a pleasant attitude, whether it be a child, who wanted to visit or a dog barking nearby. She didn't seem to be disturbed.

Elvina added her zest for life and people. She loved her home, her family, and friends. She also loved her Saviour.

Going to the House of the Lord to

worship was a joy to her. There the light of her love shined.

None of us will ever know all the lives she touched, but she will be remembered and cherished.

She had her niche in life and she worked at it, to fulfill the place that no one else could have done.

It will seem an emptiness to her family and friends, for her interest was magnified there. She will be the subject of many conversations.

All of us who are left behind can use her example in maintaining the peace and kindness for others. She was a jewel.

By Mildred Gable
November 12, 1999

Muriel LaFern Coder-Grant

Muriel LaFern Coder-Grant was born December 20, 1912 in Wamego, Kansas. She was a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation and a resident of Kingsburg, California. Mrs. Grant walked on on December 3, 1999.

She was a descendant of Francis and Cateche Bourbonnias, Peter and Sahara Bourbonnias, Reason Wilson and Mary Margaret Dike, Andrew Albert and Effie Mae Coder, and Ralph A. and Leona Gladys Coder.

Mrs. Grant lived in Kingsburg for 18 years. She was a retired licensed vocational nurse at the Sherman Oaks Hospital, Sherman Oaks, California, where she worked for 30 years.

Her husband Nathaniel Grant preceded her in death. Survivors include: a daughter, Nancy Cordill of Kingsburg; three brothers, James and Andrew Coder of Kansas and Eugene Coder of Nevada; six grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held at the Creighton Memorial Chapel in Kingsburg, with cremation following. Reverend Edward Ezaki of the Kingsburg Community Church officiated. Remembrances may be made to the American Heart Association, 1495 West Shaw Avenue, Fresno, California 93711-3608.

Nina Merle Pitt

Nina Merle Pitt walked on on December 26, 1999 at her home in Oklahoma City. Services were held at the First United Methodist Church of Ada at 11:00 am on Tuesday, December 28, 1999. Reverend Larry Varvel officiated.

Merle Pitt, the second of six children, was born to Reuben and Lola Tomlin on December 17, 1914, near Wanette, Pottawatomie County, Oklahoma. The family moved to Ada in 1929. Mrs. Pitt attended and graduated from Ada High School and from East Central University. On June 28, 1936, she and Wayne E. Pitt married in Ada, where they made their home until Mrs. Pitt moved to

Oklahoma City in 1999. Wayne E. Pitt died July 31, 1987, in Ada.

The Pitts owned and operated the Ada Greenhouse for more than sixty years. They participated in civic and community activities all their lives. Mrs. Pitt was well known for her skills in floral arrangement and interior decorating. She was especially proud of her heritage as a member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation. She belonged to the Methodist Church all her life, belonged to the Ruth Rachel UMW Circle, and was a charter member of the Fellowship Class at Ada's First United Methodist Church.

Merle Pitt is survived by: her son, DeWayne Pitt and his wife Janet, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and, two sisters, Edna Henry and Ethel Faye "Tot" Thomas, and her husband James Thomas; four sisters-in-law, Waunita Brunson, Pauline Johnson, Donna Tomlin Williams, and Waunita Tomlin; and family friend, Morris Poe. She is also survived by a host of nieces and nephews and many friends. Three brothers predeceased her: Wayne, Vance, and Bryce Tomlin.

The family expresses special appreciation to Hospice and to her caregivers as she approached the end of life.

Grandchildren and great-grandchildren were honorary pallbearers. They are Brent and Michele Pitt, Kenneth Pitt, Kaitlyn, Kathy, and Mike Paxton, and Kyle and Kristen. Active pallbearers were Scott Poe, Mike Poe, Joe Lee Walker, Duane Moore, Jerry Peay, and Farrell Donaghey.

Criswell Funeral Home was in charge of all arrangements.

ELECTION NOTICE



The annual tribal referendum and election will be held on June 24, 2000. Voting will be at the tribal complex the day of the election from 7 a.m. until 2 p.m. Requests to vote an absentee ballot must be made by June 5, 1999. Requests for absentee ballots must be in writing and include the correct mailing address, roll number and legal signature of the person making the request. A referendum budget to determine expenditures of accumulated interest from set-aside funds, as well as the election of tribal officials, will be on the ballot. Requests for tribal election ballots should be mailed to: Potawatomi Election Committee, P.O. Box 310, Tecumseh, OK 74873.

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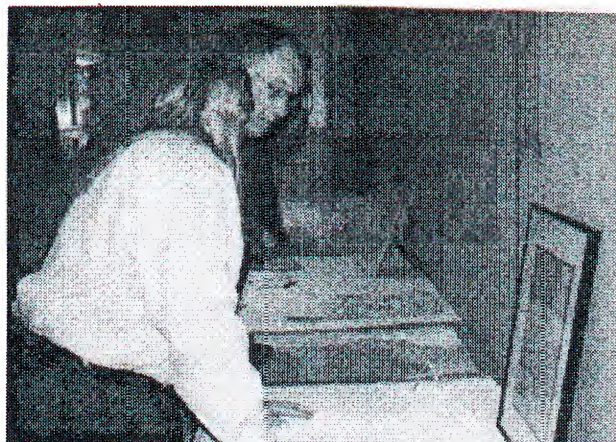
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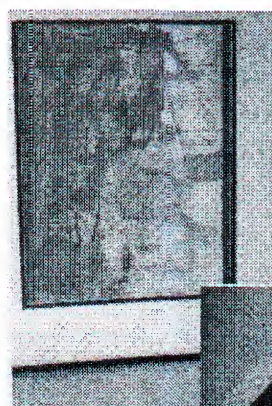
Tribal member Flo Foster informs meeting participants about a casting call for Native Americans from a movie production company in California.



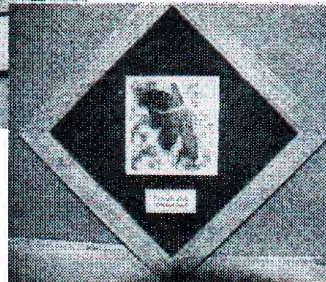
Members of the Native American Club that Jeremy Finch, CPN Southern California Regional representative, set up at Pasadena High School where he is now teaching assisted with registration and other chores at the Regional meeting.



Business Committee member Hilton Melot and Bob Carlile, CPN Housing Programs Director, examine the lovely Art Contest entries.



"Untitled Watercolor" (l) by Christan Davenport Carrillo, who is a mere seven years old, earned Second Place in the Regional Art Contest.



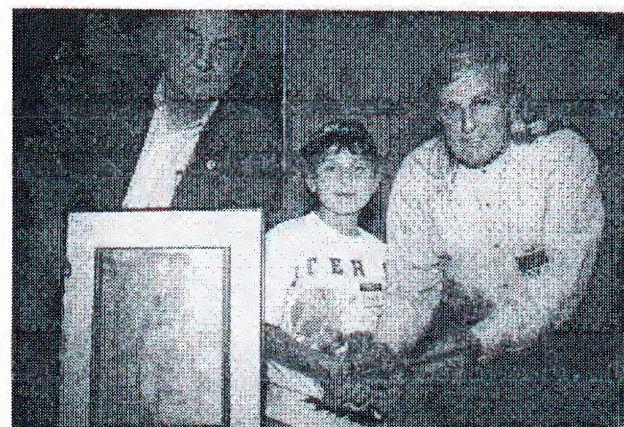
A computer graphics print by Geraldeen Wood, entitled "Butterfly Lady" (r), was Third in the art contest.



Business Committeeman Jerry P. Motley presents her Art Contest prize to Geraldeen Wood (above) while Mr. Motley and Business Committeeman Hilton Melot (below) congratulate Christan Carrillo for his Second Place finish.



Jerry Correy (l), reads her poem "Eagle Flight" which, framed in leather, won First Prize in the Art Contest.



ional Council Meeting

2000



Chairman Rocky Barrett poses with the Wisest Potawatomi present at the Meeting, Loretta Peltier Jenkins.



Above: Chairman Barrett presents the youngest Potawatomi present, Julia Finch, a stuffed Bison from the tribal gift store. That's Julia's mom Mardesia who is holding her. Right: Thom Finks of Auburn, CA, uncle of Julia and Southern California Regional representative Jeremy Finch's brother, traveled the farthest to attend the meeting.



An enterprising tribal member squeezed what little entertainment value there was from the broadcast of Jacksonville's 62-7 NFL playoff win over the Miami Dolphins.



Actor/television interview program host Michael Edmonds and George Carganilla, a Citizen Potawatomi tribal member and band instructor, entertained with beautiful music.





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The Citizen Potawatomi Nation is divided into different "Regional Offices" to help cover the extended membership across the nation. Originally labeled merely by region names, regional boundaries were established in late 1997 using the US Postal Service "3 digit" Zip code areas. Region '0' is generally considered Oklahoma while the other states that are not numbered currently do not have an official "Region" designator.

St. Gregory's program earns award

(Shawnee, OK) — The St. Gregory's University Partners in Learning program, which serves college students with learning disabilities, has earned the Oklahoma Association for the Improvement of Developmental Education "Showcase Award".

Only one developmental education program in the state is selected for this award each year. OKAIDE is an advocate for developmental education and learning assistance programs. The association also encourages academic and vocational institutions to enroll and assist at-risk and under-prepared students in completing a degree or vocational program.

"Partners in Learning offers students with learning differences the opportunity to receive individualized programs—com-

plete with services and accommodations—while remaining in a normal college setting," said OKAIDE President Kurtis Koll. "OKAIDE is pleased to present the Showcase Award to St. Gregory's University."

SGU's Partners in Learning is one of less than 20 programs across the nation that assist students who are capable of completing college-level work, have specific learning disabilities, and demonstrate motivation and potential for success.

"While only in its third year, Partners in Learning has been extremely successful in helping students have successful college experiences—including those with learning disabilities and ADHD," said program director Gay Faulk. "Without our program, these students would most

likely not have been able to attend college."

Partners in Learning's 15 participants are fully integrated into campus life. They receive such services as peer tutoring, advisement, mentoring, note-taking, taped textbooks, monitored testing, and multimedia software.

Students are taught about their learning styles, strengths, and deficits so they can become independent learners and self advocates. Partners in Learning participants also are offered internship and career development activities to prepare them for the working world. All SGU students are required to complete an internship before graduation.

Faulk said Partners in Learning graduated its first student last spring.

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Regional Council Schedule



Denver	Sept. 25, 1999
Eastern United States	Oct. 16, 1999
Dallas	Nov. 13, 1999
Southern California	Jan. 15, 2000
Phoenix	Feb. 5, 2000
Northern California	March 4, 2000
Houston	March 25, 2000
Seattle/Portland	April 15, 2000
Kansas	May 13, 2000

MULTI-REGIONAL ART COMPETITIONS 1999-2000 GRAND PRIZE ART COMPETITION

\$150 First Prize • \$100 Second Prize • \$50 Third Prize

- All enrolled Citizen Potawatomi Nation Tribal Members are eligible to enter the Multi-Regional Art Competitions.
- Entries must be the work of the artist without assistance and must have been completed within two years of the Art Competition date.
- Eligible artists must submit their art in the region in which they reside. If an artist fails to submit his art in the region in which he resides, he is not eligible to enter any other Multi-Regional Art Competition.
- Each artist is limited to, but not required to submit, three (3) entries.
- Entries must be submitted to the regional director for display at the regional meeting.
- No entry fee or age requirements are placed on the artists. Artists of all ages are encouraged to enter the art competitions.
- Only one prize will be paid to each contestant. A contestant who wins more than one prize will be awarded the higher of the prizes.
- Artists who win first, second, or third prize, at any Multi-Regional Art Competition may advance their winning piece(s) of art to the Grand Prize Art Competition to be held in June.

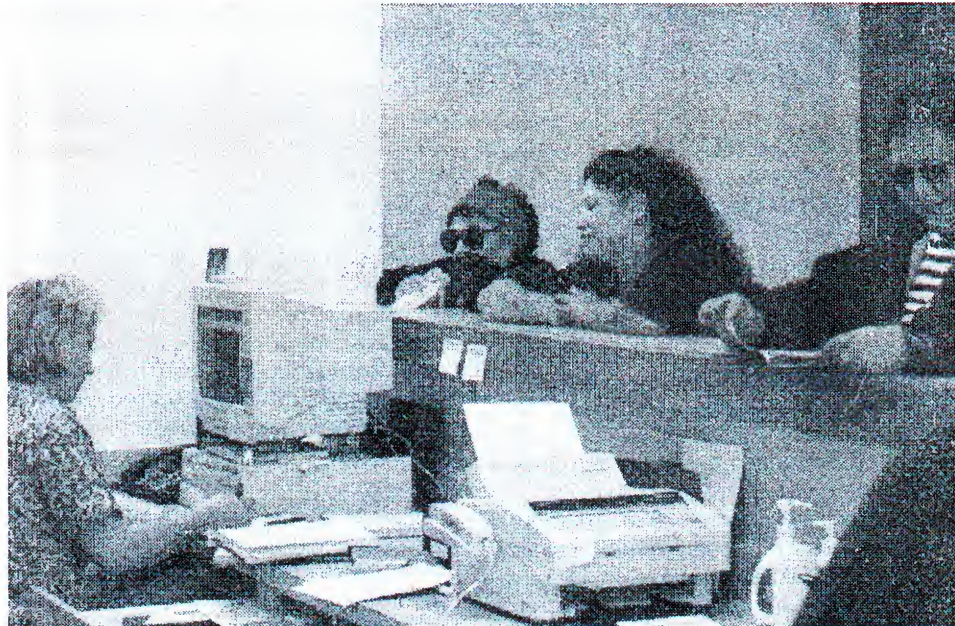
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For more information contact: Dennette Brand-Bare at 1-800-880-9880 or Citizen Potawatomi Nation Art Competition, 1601 S. Gordon Cooper Dr., Shawnee, OK 74801, or by e-mail at DBrand@Potawatomi.org



HEALTH MATTERS

CITIZEN POTAWATOMI NATION HEALTH CLINIC



A Visit To The New Health Clinic Facilities

Dr. Steve Cobb, Clinic Medical Director, tries out one of the new examining rooms in the new west wing of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation Health Clinic. Patients use the waiting room and counter in the north wing. The wing, part of an expansion that triples the size of the Clinic, opened January 14. The south wing will open soon.

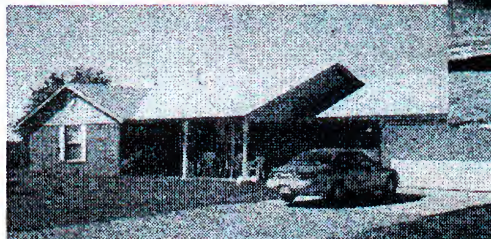
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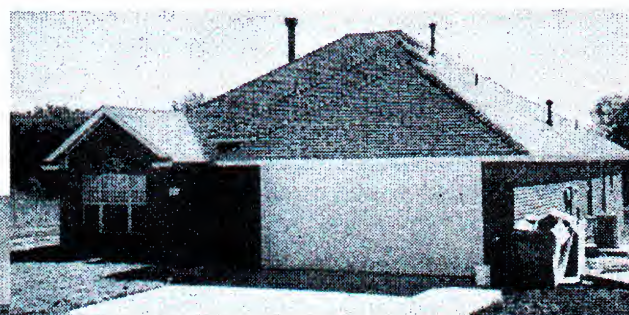
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Cooling system born of wish for 'green' store

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in wide use. "A lot of businesses look at everything as a return on investment versus what is best for their business and the environment. The Potawatomi Nation Business Committee decided to consider what is best long-term in addition to what

is least expensive," he said.

Martin identified other cost-savings that result from

using a chilled water refrigeration system. "A typically-sized supermarket of 82-to-85-thousand square feet has between 7,000 and 10,000 pounds of refrigerant in its cooling system."

At an average price of \$12 per pound, that's more than \$100,000 worth of refrigerant. The FireLake Discount Foods cooling system will use some refrigerant. But, according to Williams, it will use about 85 percent less than a conventional system. That's \$85,000 less spent on refrigerant — \$85,000 less that would be lost if the refrigerant circulation system should develop a leak.

"This is the only grocery store in the state of Oklahoma that has, as of yet, chosen to participate in this technology," Williams said. "There are many that are considering it, and it is popular in the chain supermarket companies."

He expects FireLake Discount Foods to entertain supermarket officials and trade industry reporters fairly frequently as they track the cooling system's performance and use it as a gauge for making their own decisions or report the experience to supermarkets across the United States.

"I'm convinced that people such as Progressive Grocer magazine, Supermarket Review, some of the top information people will be down to talk to Citizen Potawatomi officials about the decisions they made, and why they made those decisions," Martin said.

As a source for industrial refrigeration and piping systems, Martin does sell conventional supermarket refrigeration systems. The company also provides boilers and performs a large amount of design work.

"Primarily, we are a technologies-driven company and have hung our hat on the ability to take new technologies to the level of practicality, in most people's

operations," Williams said.

The 2-Cool system was developed in the early 1990's. "I have been a big promoter of this technology through the years," Williams said. "As an ex-retailer, I saw the merit and benefit of using this type of system, over the conventional system and the type of problems that come from that."

The 2-Cool system was developed based on a desire to create, as Williams put it, "a 'green' store — an environmentally sound store."

Asked if he believes the 2-Cool system is the best method for refrigerating food products in a supermarket environment, Williams said: "As an ex-retailer, as a design/build engineer for the past seven years, and as an application engineer, without a doubt, this is the only thing I would put in a grocery store, if it were my choice."

In December, the Citizen Potawatomi Nation broke ground for the \$8-million discount supermarket that will employ 250 and bring discount-priced foods to the Shawnee area.

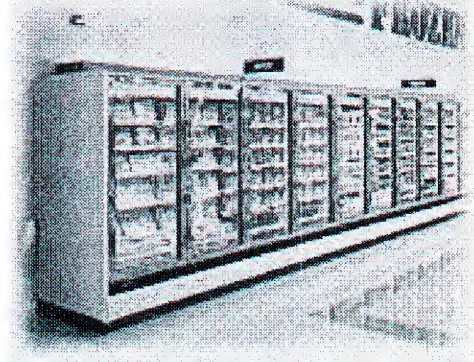
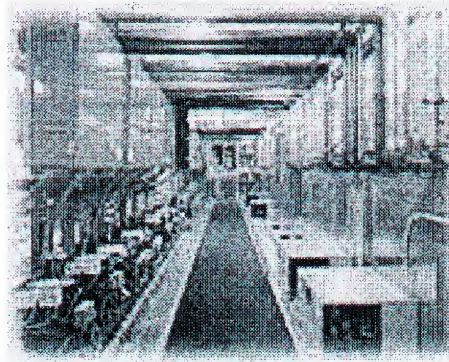
FireLake Discount Foods will be located on South Gordon Cooper Drive, between Shawnee and Tecumseh. It will be built adjacent to the Potawatomi Nation's pow wow grounds and entertainment center and across Gordon Cooper Drive immediately west of the Nation's administration building, 18-hole FireLake Golf Course, and FireLake Restaurant.

"FireLake Discount Foods is intended to be the anchor store for what will be a shopping center development," said John A. Barrett, Jr. Citizen Potawatomi Nation Chairman. "We think we are in an excellent, strategic marketing location, between Tecumseh and Shawnee."

Potawatomi Nation officials are targeting the first two months of 2001 for opening FireLake Discount Foods, Barrett said at the groundbreaking.

Barrett expects Shawnee and Tecumseh to benefit immediately upon the store's opening. "The Tribe is spending approximately \$5.8-million-a-year in these two communities," Barrett told the groundbreaking audience. "Once this store is open, we believe that our spending in Shawnee and Tecumseh for payroll, goods, and services will increase to \$7.5-million-a-year."

Because of the distance to the north to Shawnee Mall, "it is difficult for people in the southern part of Pottawatomie County, the old Potawatomi reservation area, and Tecumseh to get out there," Barrett said.



The Cooling System (Left) And Cooler Cases At FireLake Discount Foods will resemble these from Hill Phoenix's 2-Cool Line

The Nation's extensive market research indicates that approximately 45% of the groceries consumed in Shawnee and 65% of the groceries consumed in Tecumseh are purchased outside those cities. "We think we will be able to get a substantial percentage of that business, that goes to discount stores in Midwest City and Oklahoma City," Barrett said.

Describing the FireLake Discount Foods pricing policy, Barrett said, "We will simply sell the lowest-priced groceries in the state of Oklahoma."

Potawatomi Nation officials expect the supermarket to draw customers from a 30 to 40 mile radius. "We think that, easily, we should pull (customers) from as far

away as Ada, Holdenville, Seminole, Prague, and Meeker," Barrett said.

Ease of shopping will be a hallmark of the supermarket. "It will be as easy to shop here as it will be at any local-style grocery store because of the large number of checkstands and the manner in which the store will be laid out, with wide aisles, excellent lighting, and easily identifiable product categorizations."

The supermarket will feature top-quality beef and the high-quality produce for which its grocery wholesaler, Hale-Halsell of Tulsa, has become known. Potawatomi Nation officials plan to offer delivery service, within the Shawnee-Tecumseh area, and Internet marketing and ordering.

Fellow Tribal Members,

As the Citizen Potawatomi Nation enters a new year with bright prospects, I am announcing my candidacy for re-election to Business Committeeman position #1.

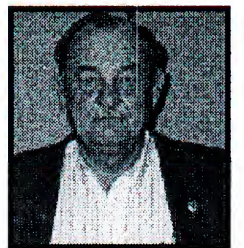
Working together, based on direction from tribal members, the Citizen Potawatomi Nation has achieved a position of leadership among Indian tribes. I hope and trust you will see fit to continue this proven leadership.

During the past few years of my tenure, the Citizen Potawatomi Nation has accomplished this progress....

- Prepared for construction of the state-of-the-art FireLake Discount Foods supermarket;
- Achieved tremendous growth in the Nation's Trust Fund through tribal investment oversight;
- Made large increases in the number and dollar amounts of tribal scholarships;
- Tripled the size of the Potawatomi Nation Clinic;
- Acquired the attractive, functional Tribal Headquarters; and,
- Grown First National Bank's assets to \$59,000,000.

I thank you for giving me the chance to be part of making this progress happen and ask for your support as I seek the opportunity to continue serving you.

Sincerely,
Jenny P. Motley



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